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~~(U//FOUO)~~ Brian Bennett (LA Times) asked whether estimates of the number of ISIL fighters are being revised downwards.

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~~(U//FOUO)~~ Jeff Seldin (VOA) asked whether Syrian rebels involved in the Turkish operation against ISIL forces in Jarabulus have used chemical weapons against Kurdish civilians in the area. Seldin also said there are rumors of a de facto partition agreement for Syria and asked for our reaction.

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~~(U//FOUO)~~ Joby Warrick (Washington Post) asked whether we can confirm that Mazen Nuhairi, who also goes by Abu Safaa al-Rifai, is a senior ISIL leader.

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~~(U//FOUO)~~ Ali Watkins (Buzzfeed) is doing a story on Intelligence Community concerns about a Trump administration.

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~~(U//FOUO)~~ Bob Windrem (NBC) flagged a Reuters story, citing Iranian press, that said Yemini missiles struck an Aramco refinery in Saudi Arabia and wanted to know if we could confirm that was true.

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